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In re Application of:

Paul C. Anderson et al.

Serial No.: 09/732,439

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For: TRANSGENIC MAIZE WITH

INCREASED MANNITOL CONTENT

Group Art Unit: 1638

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